PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Wayne L. Ryan

Group Art Unit: 1651

Serial No.: 10/605,669

Examiner: Lora E. Barnhart

Confirmation No.: 2668

Atty. Dkt. No.: 12642.0065.NPUS01

Filed: **October 16, 2003**

For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR COLLECTING
AND PRESERVING CELLS FOR ANALYSIS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 17, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 17, 2009, having an extended period for response expiring August 17, 2009, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a one-month extension of time is filed concurrently.